

Questions and Responses: FY19 Planning Assistance Grant Program

ENV 19 DCS 11/COMMBUYS BID # BD-18-1042-ENV-ENV01-25982

1. Question: Is the drafting of an Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP) eligible?

Answer: Yes, OSRPs are eligible, but they would not score as well as implementation activities.

2. Question: Are grantees from last year on an even playing field with new applicants?

Answer: Yes, though this could change in the future.

3. Question: Can the time of professional staff other than a planner be used as a match (e.g. time of the City Engineer or Conservation Administrator)?

Answer: Yes. Provided the in-kind service is being provided by professional staff with expertise directly relevant to the project proposed for funding.

4. Question: Would you consider extending the deadline for submissions?

Answer: Yes, it has been moved from May 11th to May 23rd at 5pm.

5. Question: Would the completion by a regional planning agency of a guidance document intended to help communities attain zero net energy be eligible?

Answer: Yes, with a letter of support from communities being assisted.

6. Question: Will there be another round of grants next year if the program is now committing both FY19 and FY20 funds?

Answer: Yes. It is expected that some funds will be reserved in order to enable a round next year.